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In Re:	Patent Application of Volkhard Lindner *et al.*	: Group Art Unit: 1644
Appln. No.:	10/045,992	: Examiner: Maher M. Haddad, Ph.D.
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Title:	COMPOSITIONS, METHODS AND KITS RELATING TO REMODELIN	: Attorney Docket : No. **53689-5006-01**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Response is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 25, 2004 (Paper No. 20040304), in the above-captioned application. This Response is being timely filed This Response is being timely filed in view of the accompanying Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, and associated fee, which extends the time for a response to the Restriction Requirement to and through July 27, 2004 (July 25 and 26, 2004, being Saturday and Sunday, respectively).

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group XVIII, Claims 23 and 24, drawn to a method of treating a disease mediated by abnormal expression of REMODELIN as it reads on SEQ ID NO:3, wherein said disease is hypertrophic scar formation. This election is made without traverse and without prejudice to the inclusion of the subject matter of the non-elected claims in any later filed divisional application.

Favorable examination of claims 23 and 24 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure (Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time and fee therefor)